# **Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission**

Hybrid Public Hearing held in-person and via Zoom Webinar due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, pursuant to 2020 PA 254 (MCL 15.263 and 15.263a), and in compliance with Section 6(10) of Article 4 of Michigan's 1963 Constitution

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Tuesday, June 22, 2021 5:02 PM – 7:19 PM

at

Blue Water Convention Center 800 Harker St., Port Huron, MI 48060

# **MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Douglas James Clark

Juanita Curry
Anthony Eid
Brittni Kellom
Steven Terry Lett

Cynthia Orton (attending remotely from Battle Creek,

MI)

MC Rothhorn Rebecca Szetela Janice Vallette

Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Charlotte, MI)

Richard Weiss

**Dustin Joseph Witjes** 

**ABSENT:** Rhonda Lange

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Suann Hammersmith, Executive Director

Julianne V. Pastula, General Counsel

Edward Woods III, Communications and Outreach

Director

Michigan Department of State ("MDOS") staff

#### CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, called the hearing of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) to order at 5:02 PM.

## **ROLL CALL**

MDOS staff called roll. All Commissioners were present except for Commissioner Lange and a quorum was met.

#### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "for Commissioner Witjes to provide a presentation" which was adopted. Commissioner Witjes provided a history of the MICRC including its strategic plan.

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "for Executive Director Hammersmith to provide a presentation" which was adopted. Director Hammersmith outlined the purpose of the MICRC and the public hearings.

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "for the General Counsel to provide a presentation" which was adopted. General Counsel Pastula articulated the guidelines for providing public comment.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "to begin the public comment portion of the agenda" which was adopted. There were 42 individuals who provided inperson public comment: Raymond Kerr, Andrew Kercher, Ryan Johnson, Mark Morden, Mike Gofrth, Dean Berden, Kathy Berden, Mark Watson, Ruth Habalewsky, Pat Anderon, Richard Cummings, John Pettinato, Peggy Guoin, Tom Walker, Patricia Haupt, Don Derby, Lesley Lambright, Ken Harris, Jim Frank, Joseph Dams, Judy Lindberg, Mona DeQuir, Patti Samar, Richard Matzka, Jerry Tkach, John Milne, Marty Habalewsky, David Tyler, Thomas Obee, Jim Wier, Carol Middleton, Joe Soto, Frank Bublite, Marcus Middleton, Karen Morgan, Lee Pochert, Carol Seaver, Paige, Christopher Cummings, John Daniele, Marie Hackleman, Martin Porzondet. There was one individual who provided remote public comment: James Gallant

A full inventory of live and written public comment is available at <a href="https://www.michigan.gov/micrc">www.michigan.gov/micrc</a>.

#### **RECESS**

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "to recess until 6:40 PM" which was adopted.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, called the hearing of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) back to order at 6:43 PM.

**PRESENT:** Douglas James Clark

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**Richard Weiss** 

**Dustin Joseph Witjes** 

**ABSENT:** Rhonda Lange

#### **ROLL CALL**

MDOS staff called roll. All Commissioners were present except Commissioner Lange and a quorum was met.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Commissioner Kellom, Chair, put the motion "for the General Counsel to provide acknowledgements" which was adopted. General Counsel Pastula thanked the community volunteers and individuals who gave public comment.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Commissioner Kellom, Chair, called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: Adjourn the hearing. Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Kellom, Chair,

# held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

The hearing was adjourned at 7:19 PM.